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TITLE: IMAGE FORMING DEVICE AND

OUTPUT GRADATION ADJUSTMENT METHOD IN IMAGE FORMING DEVICE

CPU 色差測定部 出 カ IJ 階 + ン 調 М 調 生 伤 9 þ 補 C 隊 成 Œ ナ 出 正 調 C 哥 部 雅 那 部 カ 鐅 BK BK 哥 鄑 61 65 66 62

ABSTRACT: PURPOSE: To realize the reproduction of a color with fidelity by applying gradation correction to three primary colors in an excellent way.

CONSTITUTION: Three-primary data subjected to gradation correction by a gradation correction section 64 are fine-adjusted at an output gradation fine- adjustment section 65. Reference data to generate a fine-adjustment table for the fine-adjustment are stored in a ROM 72. A CPU 70 generates test data by changing each gradation of the three primary colors to a large or a small value around the reference data. A test picture corresponding to the test data is formed by a printer output section 66. A color difference between the test picture and a standard picture to be obtained with respect to the reference data is measured by a color difference measurement section 74. Then a fine- adjustment table is generated based on the test data corresponding to the test picture whose color difference is minimized and the reference data.

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